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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/789,673	CHOI, JOO S.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Tuan T. Nguyen	2824
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address Period for Reply		
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION. - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication. - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).		
Status		
 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>17 January 2006</u>. 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final. 		
2a) ☐ This action is FINAL . 2b) ☑ This action is non-final. 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is		
closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.		
Disposition of Claims		
 4) Claim(s) 1-34 is/are pending in the application. 4a) Of the above claim(s) 31-34 is/are withdrawn from consideration. 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) Claim(s) 1,2,5,8-11,20-22 and 27-30 is/are rejected. 7) Claim(s) 3,4,6,7,12-19 and 23-26 is/are objected to. 8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. 		
Application Papers		
9)⊠ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.		
10)⊠ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) \Box accepted or b)⊠ objected to by the Examiner.		
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).		
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d). 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.		
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119		
 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. 		
Attachment(s) 1) ☑ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) 🔲 Interview Summary	(PTO-413)
2) Dotice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	Paper No(s)/Mail Da	te
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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election without traverse of claims 1-30 in the reply filed on 1/17/06 is acknowledged.

2. Claims 31-34 have been canceled by the Applicant.

Specification

3. Applicant is reminded of the proper language and format for an abstract of the disclosure.

The abstract should be in narrative form and generally limited to a single paragraph on a separate sheet within the range of 50 to 150 words. It is important that the abstract not exceed 150 words in length since the space provided for the abstract on the computer tape used by the printer is limited. The form and legal phraseology often used in patent claims, such as "means" and "said," should be avoided. The abstract should describe the disclosure sufficiently to assist readers in deciding whether there is a need for consulting the full patent text for details.

The language should be clear and concise and should not repeat information given in the title. It should avoid using phrases which can be implied, such as, "The disclosure concerns," "The disclosure defined by this invention," "The disclosure describes," etc.

4. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because:

Line 1, the phrase "The present invention is generally directed to " should read as -

Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

System and method for -

Drawings

5. The drawings are objected to because:

In Figure 4, the COMPARATOR block should be labeled as -102— (see specification page 8, line 12)

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Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Claim Objections

6. Claims 14, 20, 26 and 30 are objected to because of the following informalities:

Claim 14, line 1, "9" should read as -8

Claim 20, line 3, "the device" should read as – the memory device --

Claim 26, line 1, "26" should read as -25 –

Claim 30, line 1, "200" should read as – 20 --

Appropriate correction is required.

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

7. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

8. Claims 1-2, 5, 8-11 and 20-22, 27-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Ruckerbauer.

Ruckerbauer discloses in Figure 3 a memory device (112) having a pin (117), a memory controller (104), a signal path (116) being operable to transfer a temperature (though the Temp Sensor 120) of the memory device, wherein the memory controller (104) is configured to receive the temperature of the memory device and to generate a refresh rate through the REFRESH TIMING (122) acting as a refresh controller and refresh counter as recited in claims 1-2, 5, 8-11 and 20-22, 27.

Regarding claims 28-30, Ruckerbauer silents to teach the computer system further comprising at least one data storage device, one output device, and one input device. These limitations are inherently disclosed since any computer system must have all above limitations cited in claims 28-30.

Allowable Subject Matter

9. Claims 3-4, 6-7, 12-19, and 23-26 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tuan T. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-1880. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8AM - 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Elms can be reached on 571-272-1869. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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